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The Honorable Jocelyn Boyd Chief Clerk of the Commission Public Service Commission of South Carolina Post Office Drawer 11649 Columbia, South Carolina 29211

Re:

Petition of BellSouth Telecommunications, LLC d/b/a AT&T South Carolina to Withdraw Funds from the State USF to Support Stand-Alone Basic Residential Lines Pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. §58-9-576

Docket No. 2011-406-C

Dear Ms. Boyd:

I write to request that the Commission consider one minor, but important, aspect of the wording of the Directive dated November 9, 2011 as it prepares its written order memorializing its decision.

The Directive moves to grant AT&T South Carolina's Petition "to withdraw \$1,112,111 from the State Universal Service Fund *needed to fund the Lifeline match* for basic stand-alone residential lines" See Directive (emphasis added). AT&T South Carolina's Petition, however, seeks to withdraw these funds to support its costs of providing specified basic stand-alone residential lines rather than to support the Lifeline match. See Petition at p. 1; p. 2 ¶¶ 5, 6. ¹

AT&T South Carolina currently receives \$1.7 million annually from the State USF to fund the Lifeline match pursuant to \$58-9-576(C)(9)(d), see Verified Direct Testimony of Ken Minzenberger at 3, and it filed its Petition in order to receive an additional \$1,112,111 to fund the cost of providing grandfathered stand-alone basic residential lines as permitted by a separate subsection, \$58-9-576(C)(9)(c). *Id*.

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AT&T South Carolina appreciates the Commission's consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

Patrick W. Turner

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cc: All Parties of Record

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The undersigned, Nyla M. Laney, hereby certifies that she is employed by the Legal Department for BellSouth Telecommunications, LLC. d/b/a AT&T South Carolina ("AT&T") and that she has caused AT&T South Carolina's Letter dated November 22, 2011 in Docket No. 2011-406-C to be served upon the following on November 22, 2011:

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